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In Re the Application of:

GA-JIN JEONG, ET AL.

Application No.: 10/089,422

Filed: March 29, 2002

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BACTERIA CULTURE FLUID AND A METHOD FOR
PREPARING THE SAME, AND BEVERAGE CONTAINING
LACTIC ACID FERMENTING BACTERIA AND A METHOD
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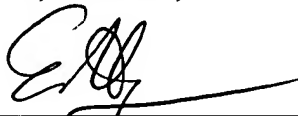
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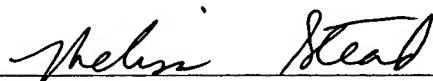
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